

### **STI/Teen Pregnancy Work Group: Meeting Summary**

February 15, 2017

Community partners and service providers came together to discuss key issues related to sexually transmitted infections (STI) and teen pregnancies in Norfolk. The goal of the STI/Teen Pregnancy Work Group is to develop a community action plan to address both issues. The action plan will be part of a broader Community Health Improvement Planning process that also focuses on the issues of safe communities, chronic disease prevention and workforce development.

*Background:* STIs and Teen Pregnancy were prioritized through community health needs assessments conducted by the Norfolk Department of Public Health (NDPH) and Sentara Leigh Hospital over the last year. Both NDPH and Sentara presented on their data and findings highlighting the high rate of STIs and teen pregnancy in Norfolk and that African Americans were disproportionately impacted.

*Actions Taken:* The Work Group members reviewed and discussed Guiding Principles that should be embodied in all the action plans. They brainstormed initial ideas for goals (as well as some strategies) and discussed missing partners and key questions moving forward. They also decided to send out a survey over the next month to begin gaining a better understanding of work already underway in these areas.

*Save the date for the next meetings on STIs and Teen Pregnancy!*

- Wednesday, March 29 from 10 a.m. - noon
- Wednesday, April 19 from 10 a.m. - noon
- Wednesday, May 10 from 10 a.m. - noon

### **Safe Communities and Chronic Disease Prevention Work Groups: Meeting Summaries**

February 16, 2017

When they met in February, the Safe Communities and Chronic Disease Work Group members provided feedback on a draft of the Guiding Principles that they brainstormed and developed during their January meeting. They also reviewed and offered extensive feedback on a draft of the goals and strategies developed during their January meeting. Based on their feedback, Ms. Redden, the facilitator, will make additional changes to both drafts and bring them back for further review. Ms. Redden also presented a number of best practices and examples that are being used in other communities to effectively address community violence and chronic disease. The presentations will serve as a resource as the group moves forward in drafting their action plan.

*Next Steps:* The group would like to begin identifying “Best Practices” and practices that were not previously successful *in Norfolk* through a survey this month. The purpose of the survey is to identify policy, initiatives and programs that the action plan can incorporate and build on moving forward. In the March meeting, Work Group members will review community feedback from community meetings being hosted this month and think through how to incorporate that input into the action plan.

*Save the date for the next Safe Community meetings! Save the date for the next Chronic Disease meetings!*

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| • Thursday, March 30 from 9 – 11 a.m. | • Thursday, March 30 from 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. |
| • Thursday, April 20 from 9 – 11 a.m. | • Thursday, April 20 from 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. |
| • Thursday, May 11 from 9 – 11 a.m.   | • Thursday, May 11 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.        |